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Beloved Companion:

We closed the last lecture at the point where the Candidate now as a Frater of the Order, was received with acclaim, but the Higher Soul remained in the Invisible Station of Harpocrates and to the Spirit Vision at this point, there should be a gleaming white Triangle formulated above the head of the Candidate and touching him, the Symbol of the White Triangle of the Three Supernals.

The Hierophant now calls forward the Kerux and turning toward the Candidate says to him, "In all your wanderings thru darkness, the lamp of the Kerux went before you, tho you saw it not. It is the Symbol of the Hidden Light of Occult Science. Thus, it represents to the Candidate, a vague formulation of his ideal which he can neither grasp nor analyze, yet this Light is not the Symbol of his own Higher Self but rather a Ray from the Gods to lead him there.

The Hierophant then continues "Let the Candidate be conducted to the East of the Altar, Honored Hiereus, I delegate to you the duty of impressing the Candidate with the Secret Sign, Grip, the Grand Word and the Pass Word for the first Grade of the Golden Dawn of the Outer, of placing him between the Mystic Pillars and of superintending his fourth and final Consecration." The East of the Altar is the place of the Evil Triad and he is brought there as tho affirming that he would trample upon and cast out his evil Self which will then become a support unto him, but he must first cast it down into its right place.

The Hiereus at this point confers the Secret Sign, the Grip and so forth. After you have gone thru this Initiation with sufficient sureness that it may be enacted upon the Astral, these Signs and Symbols will be conveyed to you privately, by the Master working with you and they are then to be memorized and the paper destroyed which contains them.

Now, during this part of the Ceremony, the conferring of the Signs, the position of the three Chief Officers will be as follows. The Hierophant on the Throne of the East, the Hiereus at the East of the Black Pillar and the Hegemon at the East of the White Pillar, the three again formulating the Triangle and strengthening it.

The Higher Soul will be formulated between the Pillars in the place of Equilibrium, the Candidate at the Place of the Evil Triad. The Hiereus now advances between the Pillars unto the visible station of Harpocrates.

Having explained the Sign, the Hiereus leads the Candidate forward between the Pillars and for the Second time in the Ceremony the Higher Soul stands near and ready to touch him. Then the Hiereus returns to the East of the Black Pillar, so that the three Chief Officers may draw down upon the Candidate the Forces of the Supernal Trinity.

The Candidate now, therefore, is standing between the Pillars bound with the rope, like the mummified form of Osiris, between Isis and Nephthys and in this position does the Fourth and final Consecration by the Goddesses of the Balances take place. The Aspirant for the first time standing between the Pillars at the point where are localized the equilibrated forces of the Balance. Meanwhile the Kerux goes to the North in readiness for another Circumambulation so as to link the latter with the final Consecration of the Candidate.

The Stolistes then say "Frater, I finally consecrate thee by Water," and the Dadouchos say "Frater, I finally consecrate thee by Fire," and the effect of this is to seal finally into the sphere of sensation of the Candidate, the Pillars in balanced formula-

tion, for in the natural man, the Symbols are unbalanced in strength, some being weaker and some stronger and the effect of the Ceremony is to strengthen the weak and purify the strong, thus gradually commencing to equilibrate them, at the same time, making the link between them and their corresponding Forces of Macrocosm.

The Hierophant then says, "Honored Hegemon the final consecration of the Candidate having been performed, I command you to remove the rope from his waist, the last remaining Symbol of Darkness and to invest him with the distinguishing Badge of the Grade.

The Hegemon, executing the Hierophant's order, says, "By command of the Honored Hierophant, I invest you with the Distinguishing Badge of the Grade, - it symbolizes Light dawning in Darkness."

The Four Pillars thus being established, now only is the Candidate given the Badge of the White Triangle of the Three Supernals, formulating in Darkness, and now is the Higher Soul able to formulate a link with him. The Human Will of the Natural Man, in reality consenting thereto, for the Free Will of the Candidate as a natural man, is never obsessed either by the Higher Soul or by the Ceremony, but, the Will consenting, the whole of the Ceremony is directed to the strengthening of its action.

And as this Badge is placed upon Him, it is as tho the two great Goddesses, Isis and Nephthys, in the places of the Columns stretch forth their Wings over the form of Osiris, and restore him again unto life.

The Mystic Circumambulation then followeth in the Path of Light, to represent the rising of the Light in the Candidate thru the operation of Self Sacrifice, as He passes the Throne of the East, the Red Calvary Cross is Astrally formulated above the Astral White Triangle of the Three Supernals upon his forehead, so that so long as he belongeth unto the order, he may have that potent and sublime Symbol as a link with his Higher Self and as an aid in his search for the Forces of the Light Divine, forever, if he only will it.

But the Higher Soul or Genius returneth unto the Invisible Station of Harpocrates into the place of the Hidden Center, yet retaining the link formulated now with the Candidate.

The Address of the Hierophant then follows, "Frater I must congratulate you upon having passed with so much fortitude, thru your Ceremony of Admission into the First Grade of the Order of the Golden Dawn of the Outer. I will now direct your attention to the brief explanation of the principle Symbols of your Grade."

When these have been explained, the Kerux as the Watcher, Anubis, announces in the following words, that the Candidate has been admitted as an Initiate Neophyte. "In the Name of the Lord of the Universe, and at the command of the Honored Hierophant, hear you all that I proclaim that _____ will hereafter be known to you by the Name _____, has been admitted in due form to the First Grade of Neophyte of the Order of the Golden Dawn in the Outer.

The Hieres then addresses the Neophyte in congratulation upon being admitted a member of the Order, whose professed object and end is the practical study of Occult Science. Then the Hierophant commands the Neophyte to commence his study and labor.

The Kerux conducts the Neophyte to his table and hands him a solution, telling him to pour a few drops on the plate before him. As he does so, the solution changes to a blood color. The Kerux says "As this pure, colorless, limpid fluid changed into the semblance of blood, so mayest thou change and perish if thou betrayest thine Oath of Secrecy to the Order by word or deed."

The Hierophant then says "Resume your seat in the North West and remember that your admission to the Order gives you no right to Initiate any other person without dispensation from the Greatly Honored Chiefs of the Second Grade of the Order."

This ends the admission of the Candidate, and the Temple is then closed in formal manner.

This now completes the first formal contact with this Ancient Order and during the months that follow, you will experience Psychic Initiation in the following Grades, portions at least of which you will bring back to Consciousness in the Physical as you wake from sleep or return from your concentration and meditation periods.

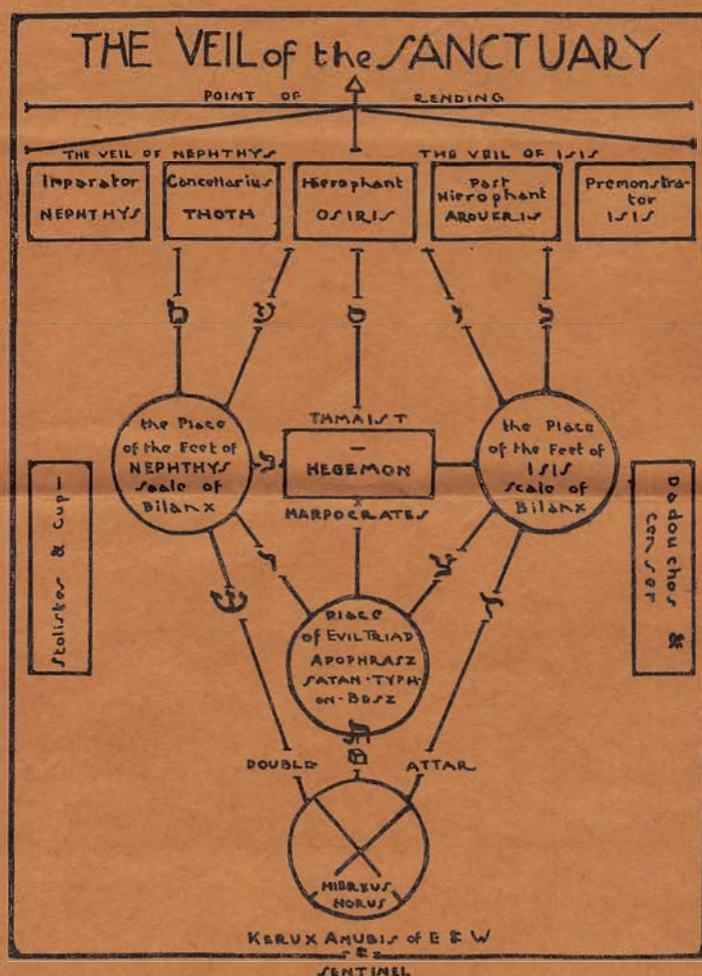
In the Bonds of Eternal Brotherhood,

Sri Dayananda,

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The LAMEN of the HIEROPHANT



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